

AMENDMENT TO THE CLAIMS

Please amend the presently pending claims as follows:

1-17. (Canceled).

18. (Currently Amended) A power tester apparatus for testing an electronic device, the device configured to operate using a constant power supply voltage at a nominal power supply voltage, the apparatus comprising:

a multi-voltage power source supplying a selectable voltage level for the constant power supply voltage at the nominal power supply voltage of the electronic device;

a connector coupled to the power source, the connector adapted to connect the constant power supply voltage to a power supply input on the electronic device;

circuitry configured to introduce a disturbancesdisturbance into the constant power supply voltage applied to the electronic device, ~~a disturbance configured to simulate a disruption in the nominal power supply voltage;~~

wherein the disturbancesdisturbance introduced into the constant power supply voltage applied to the electronic device ~~are~~is controllable; and

an additional power source supplying an additional voltage wherein the additional power source is adapted to connect the additional voltage to an additional connector, and

wherein the additional voltage is outside a range of different voltages that the multi-voltage power source can supply.

19. (Previously Presented) The apparatus of claim 18 wherein the disturbance is a rising pulse having a maximum voltage which is controllable.

20. (Previously Presented) The apparatus of claim 18 wherein the disturbance is a low-going pulse having a minimum voltage being less than the nominal power supply voltage.

21. (Previously Presented) The apparatus of claim 18 wherein the constant power supply voltage is selected from the group of voltages consisting of +5 VDC and +12 VDC.

22. (Canceled).

23. (Currently Amended) The apparatus of claim ~~22~~18 wherein the additional voltage is + 24 VDC.

24. (Currently Amended) The apparatus of claim 18 including a manually operated user interface used to control the ~~disturbances~~disturbance.

25. (Previously Presented) The apparatus of claim 18 wherein the disturbance is at least one pulse having a duration and a magnitude which are controllable.

26. (Previously Presented) The apparatus of claim 18 wherein the disturbance is a plurality of pulses and a frequency and a number of pulses in the plurality of pulses are controllable.

27. (Previously Presented) The apparatus of claim 18 wherein the disturbance comprises a voltage sequence applied during powering up of the electronic device.

28. (Currently Amended) A method for testing an electronic device of the type which is powered by a constant power supply voltage at a nominal power supply voltage, the method comprising:

supplying a selectable voltage level for the constant power supply voltage at the nominal power supply voltage of the device from a multi-voltage power source;

coupling the constant power supply voltage to a connector, the connector adapted to connect the constant power supply voltage to a power supply input of the electronic device;

introducing a disturbance into the constant power supply voltage applied to the power supply input of the electronic device; and

controlling the disturbance introduced into the constant power supply voltage ~~applied to the power supply to simulate a disruption in the nominal power supply voltage;~~ and

supplying an additional voltage from an additional power source, the additional power source adapted

to connect the additional voltage to an  
additional connector,  
wherein the additional voltage is outside a range of  
different voltages that the multi-voltage power  
source can supply.

29. (Previously Presented) The method of claim 28 wherein the disturbance is a rising pulse having a maximum voltage which is controllable.

30. (Previously Presented) The method of claim 28 wherein the disturbance is a low-going pulse voltage which is controllable.

31. (Currently Amended): The method of claim 28 wherein the ~~nominal~~constant power supply voltage is selected from the group of voltages consisting of +5 VDC and +12 VDC.

32. (Canceled).

33. (previously presented) The method of claim ~~32~~28 wherein the additional voltage is + 24 VDC.

34. (Previously Presented) The method of claim 28 including receiving control parameters from the user interface.

35. (Previously Presented) The method of claim 28 wherein the disturbance is a pulse having a controllable duration and a controllable magnitude.

36. (Previously Presented) The method of claim 28 wherein the disturbance is a plurality of pulses and a number of the plurality of pulses are controllable.

37. (Canceled).